08/25/2015

Incident: Armed Robbery Arrest

Location: 2350 S. Victoria Ave (Victoria Motel)

Date/Time Occurred: 8/18/15 @ 1:44am

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura Police Patrol & Detectives

Victim(s): 1) Carlos Gutierrez / 28yrs / Riverside resident

2) Daniel Galvan / 27yrs / Riverside resident

3) Marcelino Duarte / 33yrs / Riverside resident

Suspect(s): 1) Charles Barnum / 37yrs / Ventura resident

2) Joshua Solorzano / 27yrs/ Ventura resident

3) John Sevillano / 35yrs / Ventura resident

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Narrative:

On 8/18/15 at about 1:44am, the Ventura Police Command Center received a call referencing an armed robbery that had just occurred at the Victoria Motel. Patrol officers responded and met with three victims. The victims reported that they were all sharing a room when they were awoken by somebody knocking on their hotel room door. One of the victims got up and as he answered the door, all three suspects forced their way into the room. Once inside the room, one of the suspects had a gun, and while he held all three victims at gunpoint, the other two suspects took the victim's property.

At the conclusion of the robbery, the suspects exited the room with the victim's property, got into separate vehicles and then fled from the area. The responding officers reviewed surveillance video and identified Charles Barnum as one of the suspects. A few hours later, a patrol officer spotted Barnum driving on Victoria Ave. and he was subsequently arrested without incident.

Over the course of the next few days, Major Crimes and Street Crimes Detectives assisted with the investigation and identified Joshua Solorzano and John Sevillano as the other two suspects. On 8/24/15 at about 2:30pm, officers located both of the outstanding suspects in Ventura and arrested them without incident. All three suspects were booked at the Ventura County Jail for robbery, burglary and conspiracy. Nobody was injured as a result of this incident.

The investigation into this incident is ongoing. Anyone with information related to this incident is urged to call the Ventura Police Department at (805) 339-4488.